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Sunday School Lessons Unit One

"God's Prophets Demand Justice"

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We are providing these notes from the Committee on Uniform Series that prepares associated Sunday School lesson outlines long in advance of their usage. Included in this Guide are thoughts that are reflected in the Lesson Development Guide for writers of Sunday school lessons and the recommended commentary of the Department of Christian Education, The New International Lesson Annual published by Abingdon Press Nashville, Tennessee.

The Summer Quarter (June-July-August) focuses on the need for us to recognize that "God's Prophets Demand Justice." The first unit is entitled "Amos Rails Against Injustice."

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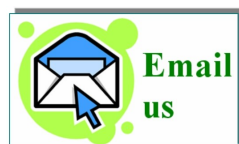
Some people cover their evil ways with outward acts of goodness. Who will uncover their deceit and demand justice? The people learned through Amos that God will not be fooled by insincere offerings and will severely punish all sinners.

Goal for the Learners

- ✓ To learn how God establishes justice for the righteous and punishes deceivers.
- ✓ To recognize and reflect on actions of injustice within the community of faith.
- ✓ To identify unjust practices and commit to stop their participation in them and help others do the same.

Lesson Challenges for the Week

- Research injustices within the CME church. Look especially at issues relating to women and color of skin. How have these injustices been righted? What issues currently need to be addressed?
- Consider how your expressions of worship are in keeping with the way you act to ensure that others are justly treated. How might God respond to your worship? What changes, if any, do you need to make?
- Check labels on each product you purchase to see where it was made. Is it certified as a Fair Trade item? Is it made of sustainable materials? Do you believe that the workers who created the product are justly treated and fairly paid? Would you consider making changes in your buying habits?



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